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A Memo from Mayor Nanette Konishi

In previous issues I have asked citizens to respect the fact that we have a free and efficient recycling center in town. Unfortunately, we have had issues with people dumping non-recycled materials around this area.

If you see someone dumping and walking away from it, please contact city hall. If the abuse continues, the only two options that remain are to have the site manned during specific operating hours and charge for the convenience of being able to drop them off in town, or close the center entirely, and force everyone to go either to the waste-management in Airways Heights or head south to the Empire site.



1st City Council Meeting



Perseid Meteor Shower Event @Pinewood Cottage



Trivia Night @The Brass Rail



Vinyasa Flow Yoga @ The Park



Water Bill Due



2nd City Council Meeting

Small Water System Management Program Update

By: Nanette Konishi, Mayor

Rosalia is working closely with our JUB engineers and the Department of Health Office of Safe Drinking Water to update our Small Water System Management Program (SWSMP). We are applying for preconstruction funding to improve our water system. The intended construction project will replace old and leaking water mains, service lines, valves and fire hydrants in high priority areas. Replacement of these portions of the water system will reduce water loss and improve water delivery to the homes and fire protection to the school. It will also upgrade the water system control telemetry, which will allow for more efficient control and monitoring of the system and prevent unintended overflows at the storage reservoirs, which has been a significant problem in the past. This project will address an additional need to reduce non-wastewater flows to the Town's sewer treatment facility. Water line leaks contribute to elevated groundwater levels, and groundwater subsequently makes its way into the sewer collection system and negatively impacts the treatment capacity of the wastewater treatment facility. The Washington State Department of Health has mandated that public water systems reduce water loss to less than 10% of their total use by 2017. Water losses in the past have amounted to over 30% of total water pumped. It is critical that we comply with this regulatory requirement, and it will provide a significant cost savings to the Town. The water mains being replaced are becoming increasingly difficult and expensive to keep in operable condition. It is critical that we replace them soon.





Trivia Night

The Brass Rail

Saturday, Aug. 19,
7 p.m.

Join us for TRIVIA and win great prizes! Teams may be up to eight people--bring your group or join one upon arrival. Extra point for teams that bring their library cards! Trivia will be held outdoors in the Beer Garden. Come enjoy the sunshine and friendly competition!

Albion Toddler Time Albion Branch Library Tuesday, Aug. 15, 10:00 a.m.

Join us from 10-11:30 with your little ones, ages 0-5 for playtime with freinds. Moms have a good time with other Moms too! Toys and crafts.



Perseid Meteor Shower Teen Event Pinewood Cottage Saturday, Aug. 12, 9-11 p.m.

The library is closed but area teens are invited to join Ms. Marcy and the Teen Advisory Council in the parking lot of Pinewood Cottage at 208 W. 2nd St., in Rosalia from 9-11 p.m. to watch the annual Perseid Meteor Shower. Dress for nighttime temperatures and bring seating and bug spray! Snacks will be provided. If you have any questions, please call or stop in the Rosalia library Tuesday or Saturday from 10-2 p.m. or Thursday from 3-7 p.m. or call 523-3109.

Color Me Crafty Colfax Branch Library Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2-4 p.m.

Adults of ALL AGES are invited to come enjoy Coffee, Cookies and Coloring from 2 -4 p.m. on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Tuesdays of the month downstairs in the meeting room. Materials are provided, feel free to bring your own and share too!



COA Whitman County Senior Lunch

Our mission at the Council on Aging for our meal sites is to provide a friendly atmosphere in which seniors are given the opportunity to interact with other seniors in a social environment while receiving a nutritious meal that meets one third of the current recommended daily allowances.

For more information contact:
Sarah Kane (509) 397-4305



COAST is the transportation division of the Council on Aging & Human Services serving public transportation needs in several counties, including Whitman. COAST uses volunteers and agency drivers to provide demand-response transportation for people with special needs.

210 S Main Street
Colfax, WA (509) 397-2935



Starry Night Storytime Rosalia Branch Library Thursday, Aug. 31, 7:00 p.m.

Fun, songs, snacks and stories celebrating a sky full of wonders.

Appropriate for kids of all ages, but please remember that children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. If you have any questions, please call or stop in the Rosalia library Tuesday or Saturday from 10-2 p.m. or Thursday from 3-7 p.m. or call 523-3109.



PINOCHLE

Every Thursday Night
All Summer @ 7:00
p.m.
Pinewood Cottage



Town of Rosalia City Hall

110 W. 5th Street
Rosalia WA 99170
Tel: 509-523-5991
Fax: 509-523-3405
info@rosaliatown.org

Mon. - Fri.
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

townofrosalia.net

Town of Rosalia Government Officials

<i>Mayor</i>	Nan Konishi
<i>Council Position</i>	Robert Hill
<i>Council Position</i>	Matthew Floyd
<i>Council Position</i>	Eric Eilertson
<i>Council Position</i>	Rick Lau
<i>Council Position</i>	Robert Ward
<i>City Administrator</i>	Jenna McDonald
<i>Public Works Director</i>	Eljay Sanders
<i>Public Works (Water)</i>	Eric McDonald
<i>Code Enforcement</i>	Alicia Blackledge
<i>Building Inspector</i>	Robert Hill
<i>Planning Commission</i>	Eric McDonald
	Tom Conant
	Ken Wilkes

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THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF RECYCLING

ACCEPTED

- Bottles & Jars (no lids)
- Plastics Numbered 1-7
- Aluminum Cans & Foil
- Tin & Metal Scraps
- Aerosol Cans (empty, no lids or tips)
- Small pieces of scrap metal
- Newspaper
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Magazines & Catalogs
- Telephone Books
- Print Paper
- Junk Mail
- Cereal & Pop Boxes
- Shoe Boxes
- Non coated paper products
- Pizza boxes

NOT ACCEPTED

- Garbage
- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam
- Food contaminated items
- Microwave trays
- Ceramics and dishes
- Light bulbs
- Window glass and mirrors
- Hazardous waste containers
- Syringes
- Un-numbered Plastic
- Lids
- Batteries
- Electronics
- Sharp Metal
- Coated and laminated paper

!!! A NOTICE TO ALL WHO USE RECYCLING SERVICES !!!

Our maintenance crew is experiencing more than the usual amount of NON-RECYCLABLE trash left at the recycling center. Fair warning! We do have surveillance cameras and will resort to fines for littering if necessary. So, if you have been dumping none recyclable material, consider this your first and only warning. A personal notification will include a fine. The extreme solution would be to lock the gates and have set hours when employees are on hand to control the problem. Please be mindful of your neighbors and fellow citizens and use the facility correctly.



MOSQUITOS - update

Thank you to Clint Tucker for stepping in to spray for mosquitos temporarily! We've had a slow start this year, first finding someone who would pursue the certification for the spraying. It is not an easy test. The spraying is done in the late evening, and safe for humans and animals, but you may want to have pets indoors and close windows, as the spray machine is somewhat noisy. Be reminded that any standing water around your property is a good breeding ground for more mosquitos, and should be eliminated. Thank you for your patience and understanding. *Spraying is every Thursday night from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.*

Sammy Eubanks performs

Thursday, Aug. 3

On Thursday, August 3rd visit downtown Colfax to hear the world famous blues performer Sammy Eubanks from 5-7 p.m. on West Spring Street and shop a variety of vendors from 3-7 p.m. as part of Colfax's 1st Thursday celebration.



Pay Water Bill Online

www.townofrosalia.net

Due by the 20th of each month



Whitman Ave. Street Project Update

By: Nanette Konishi, Mayor

Thursday, July 20th, engineers, contractors and city personnel met to finalize plans for the South Whitman Street Project. At that time we were told that the expected start date was to be mid-August. Many considerations and complications have led to this start time, most of which are out of our (the town's) control. Because of the critical location of this project, it has been important for all entities involved to make every effort to accommodate the traffic needs of both the Rosalia School and the farm trucks traveling through town during harvest. We all appreciate the significance and importance of getting the trucks in and out of town safely and efficiently as well as the necessity for providing safe travel for students and faculty to and from the school during construction.

In order to remove all necessary material from the roadway (including 12" thick concrete slabs) and achieve the proper compaction for successful re-surfacing of the road, it is necessary to close down Whitman between 8th Street and the city limits for 10-14 days, detouring all traffic around from the south entrance/exit using Josephine starting where it curves around the school and empties onto Whitman Ave. This closure is expected to take place between August 15th and the first of September. Whitman is expected to be open to one-way traffic from that point to completion, including harvest trucks. During the 10-14 day complete closure, before school starts, Josephine will be the detour route for north and south bound traffic between 8th and the city limits. The large harvest trucks will use the North Rosalia entry/exit route. It is understood that this is a more difficult than the usual route, but it is considered workable and safe. I have been in conversation with Head of PNW, Bill Newbry, and we are working together to assure the safety for all traffic on 195 at that entrance/exit, including signage and possibly reduced speed limits during that period. Bill is making every effort to get the word out to all farmers about this short term inconvenience. Please find the detour map on our Rosalia website <https://www.townofrosalia.net/> for more specific information.

This is an important project that has been a long time in the planning and is now ready for execution. We will all appreciate the finished product. Please give our construction crew a break, and understand that in spite of the inconveniences, they are just doing their jobs, and we will have a beautiful new street when it's completed.



Colfax Library Caregiver Coffee & Support Group

1st Monday of every month
3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3rd Monday of every month
3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Whitman Library
102 S. Main St.
Colfax, WA 99111

For more information about
support groups, contact Melissa
Johnson
(509) 332-0365

For information about
companionship care, contact Sara
(509) 397-4366

Caregiver Coffee is intended to be a safe and confidential place to get together with other people who understand what you are going through. A place to express the joys, frustration, humor and anger that can be associated with care for your loved one. Companionship is provided for care receivers while caregivers are participating in the support group.



Inspired Palouse competition and exhibit Colfax Branch Library Friday, Aug. 18

The community is invited to experience "Inspired Palouse," a Plein Air inspired art competition and exhibition sponsored by the Colfax Arts Council. All submissions will be part of a juried selection process with \$300 for 1st, \$200 for 2nd, \$100 for 3rd and \$50 for the People's Choice award.



Rosalia RV Park 823 S Park Ave.

\$20/night \$125/week \$300/month

There is water and electricity available at each spot and there is an RV septic dump one block from the RV Park.



Overdrive & Technology Help, Rosalia Branch Library Thursday, Aug. 17, 3-5 p.m.

Nichole Colfax will be in Rosalia to help you download and navigate Overdrive, the library's free digital book source. She will also be available for other

technology related questions so bring your device and meet at the Rosalia library from 3-5 p.m. on August 17. It is not necessary to pre-register but it could help shorten your wait time. If you have any questions, please call 523-3109 or stop in the Rosalia library Tuesday or Saturday from 10-2 p.m. or Thursday from 3-5 p.m.

Home Remedy Seasonal Allergies

You will need...

- 1 teaspoon of dried peppermint OR ¼ cup chopped fresh peppermint
- 1 teaspoon of dried nettle leaf OR ¼ cup chopped fresh nettle leaf
- Honey and lemon to taste (optional)
- 8 ounces of fresh water

Directions

It doesn't get much simpler than this recipe! Place the nettle and peppermint in a mug and cover with boiling water. Steep them for 10-15 minutes, strain; add honey to taste, and drink 2 times daily as needed for allergy relief.

Recipe of the Week

Chicken Watermelon Tacos



Heat a large cast-iron skillet over high heat. Add the tomatillos, jalapeño and red onion chunks. Cook, turning, until blistered, 5 to 6 minutes for the onion and 7 to 8 minutes for the tomatillos and jalapeño. Transfer to a cutting board; cool slightly. Chop the tomatillos and onion; seed and chop the jalapeño.

Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in a medium skillet over medium-high heat. Add the tomatillos, chopped onions and half of the jalapeño. Cook until the vegetables release their juices, then add the chicken, the juice of 1 lime and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Simmer until warmed through, about 2 minutes. Keep warm over low heat.

Toss the watermelon, 1/2 cup cilantro, the sliced red onion, the remaining jalapeño, juice of 1 lime, 1 tablespoon olive oil and half of the cheese in a bowl. Season with 1/4 teaspoon salt and a few grinds of pepper. Warm the tortillas in a dry skillet.

Add the remaining 1 cup cilantro to the chicken mixture. Divide among the tortillas; top with the watermelon salad, the remaining cheese and the avocado. Serve with lime wedges.

- 4 tomatillos, husked and rinsed
- 1 large jalapeño pepper
- 1 small red onion (1/2 cut into large chunks, 1/2 thinly sliced)
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 3 cups shredded rotisserie chicken (skin removed)
- Juice of 2 limes, plus wedges for serving
- Kosher salt
- 2 cups chopped watermelon
- 1 1/2 cups fresh cilantro
- 3/4 cup crumbled Cotija cheese (about 3 ounces)
- Freshly ground pepper
- 12 corn tortillas
- 1 avocado, chopped